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25X1X 1. [REDACTED] the Ecuadorian Ministry of Foreign Relations sent the following cable to its Legation in London on 27 July 1947:

"In a communication sent by the Ecuadorian representative in Guatemala, the latter stated that in that country he had been informed of a resolution to be introduced at the Rio Conference by the Guatemalan Government, to the effect that, at said Conference, it should be resolved that in the New World the infiltration of foreign influence, either direct or indirect, would not be acceptable, and that the integrity of the Continent should be considered not only in relation to the countries which constitute the Pan American Union, but particularly in relation to the entire continent. Said official interpreted above as a definite aim toward the abolition of colonial possessions of Europe on the Continent. This aim, he claims, is of special interest to Guatemala, because of its interest in Belize, whose liquidation it persists in demanding at all costs. As I stated previously, the Chancellery does not object to this proposal, since this would assure hegemony in America."

25X1X 2. [REDACTED] stated that this message was seen by the local British Legation. The British were urged to offer material reward to both Ecuador and Bolivia to obtain the support of these two countries in opposing the above proposal, but it is unknown whether this advice was official or unofficial.

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